



State of Utah

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MININGNorman H. Bangertter
GovernorDee C. Hansen
Executive DirectorDianne R. Nielson, Ph.D.
Division Director355 West North Temple
3 Triad Center, Suite 350
Salt Lake City, Utah 84180-1203
801-538-5340

10 September 1992

Mr. Wendell Owen
Co-Op Mining Company
P. O. Box 1245
Huntington, Utah 84528

Dear Mr. Owen:

Re: Revised Diversion Designs, Co-Op Mining Company, Bear Canyon Mine,
ACT/015/025, Folder #2, Emery County, Utah

After reviewing the 31 August 1992 from MEC submittal, as authorized by you, a number of issues still remain. First, it should be noted that revising the diversion calculations and specifications was initiated by Co-Op. As such, the proposal is considered to be a permit amendment. The violation, NOV #N92-40-3-1, has been abated and is no longer an issue. In light of this, submittals regarding revisions to the diversion plan should not reference the above mentioned NOV.

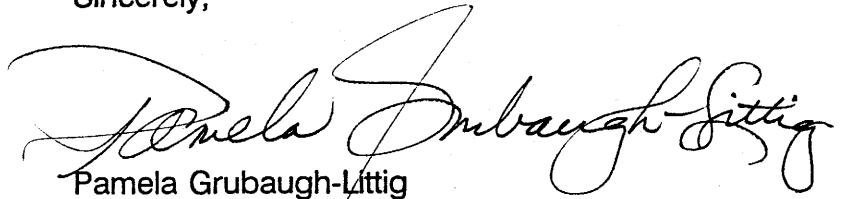
Despite being directed to remove diversions that are not yet approved and stating on the submittal cover letter that references to D-14U are removed, page 7-87a of the submittal still contains information regarding this unapproved diversion. In addition, the riprap specifications for D-8U on page 7-87 of the submittal are not the same as those on page 7G-47 of the submittal; specifications on page 7-87 of the submittal match those in the approved plan. Ditch D-9D was also to have been removed as per instructions from the Division and as stated on the cover letter, yet D-9D is still found on page 7-87a of the submittal.

In general, the frequency with which submissions do not immediately address deficiencies set forth by Division staff is of concern. Furthermore, the lack of diligence exercised in proofing and checking various calculations and tabulations has been an ongoing problem. Co-Op is strongly encouraged to take a more aggressive approach to reviewing the quality of its submissions.

Page 2
Co-Op Diversions
ACT/015/025
10 September 1992

Given the matters outlined above, the Division cannot approve the revised diversion materials. Please resolve the problems noted and submit the necessary changes by 30 September 1992. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me.

Sincerely,



Pamela Grubaugh-Littig
Permit Supervisor

jbe
cc: Hugh Klein
PGLGHOST.3